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Comments from EPA

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Hello Candace and Jolie,

I apologize for being overdue with our comments. We have completed a brief review of the draft Chapter 3. Not being a resource agency, we do not have any substantive comments regarding the accuracy of information provided for species, habitat, etc. We do agree, however, with the comments of the NSB that the most recent, peer-reviewed literature should be used as appropriate, whether it be generated by another federal agency, researchers, the NSB, or industry. We also have concerns regarding the reliance on summary reports, such as the reports created by the IPCC. We believe it is important to utilize the source documents for technical accuracy.

Our primary concern for the adequacy of the document (the numeric portion of our rating) relates to the lack of discussion regarding the socioeconomic environment and visual resources. There are resources in both subject areas that are within the project area that may be impacted by the proposed action. For instance, if seismic and other exploratory activities are permitted, allowing vessels in areas that previously had none, the visual (ocean?)scape will be altered. We recommend that NMFS and the Cooperators consider adding these sections if determined appropriate.

Thank you for the opportunity to review the draft Chapter 3.

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All,

Chapter 3 of the Arctic EIS is now ready for review. It is attached to this email as a zip folder containing 3 different Word files. One file covers the physical environment, one covers the biological environment, and one covers the social environment.

Please send me the compiled comments for your agency by COB, Monday June 20. You can send your comments directly to me. I will then compile and send to URS.

We are a bit behind on Chapter 4 right now, so it will likely arrive a few weeks later than we had originally anticipated.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thanks,
Candace

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